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TAGS:PFOR, PN, US

SUBJECT:PRESIDENT'S REPLY TO LAKAS' FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE

1. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO DELIVER FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM  
PRESIDENT FORD TO PRESIDENT LAKAS.
2. BEGIN TEXT: DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: ON BEHALF OF THE  
AMERICAN PEOPLE, I WISH TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR WARM MESSAGE  
OF CONGRATULATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF OUR ANNIVERSARY OF  
INDEPENDENCE. SINCERELY, GERALD R. FORD END TEXT
3. FYI: FOLLOWING IS ORIGINAL CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE RE-  
CEIVED BY THE WHITE HOUSE: BEGIN QUOTE EN LA FELIZ OCASION  
DE CONMEMORARSE HOY GLORIOSO ANIVERSARIO PROCLAMACION  
INDEPENDENCIA DE ESE PAIS RECIBA DE PARTE DEL GOBIERNO Y  
PUEBLO PANAMENOS Y EN EL MIO PROPIO LOS SALUDOS AFECTUOSOS  
Y LOS VOTOS FERVIENTES POR EL CONSTANTE. END QUOTE
4. THE WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE THE TEXT OF  
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THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY, BUT HAS NO OBJECTION TO RELEASE BY

GOP. END FYI. KISSINGER

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